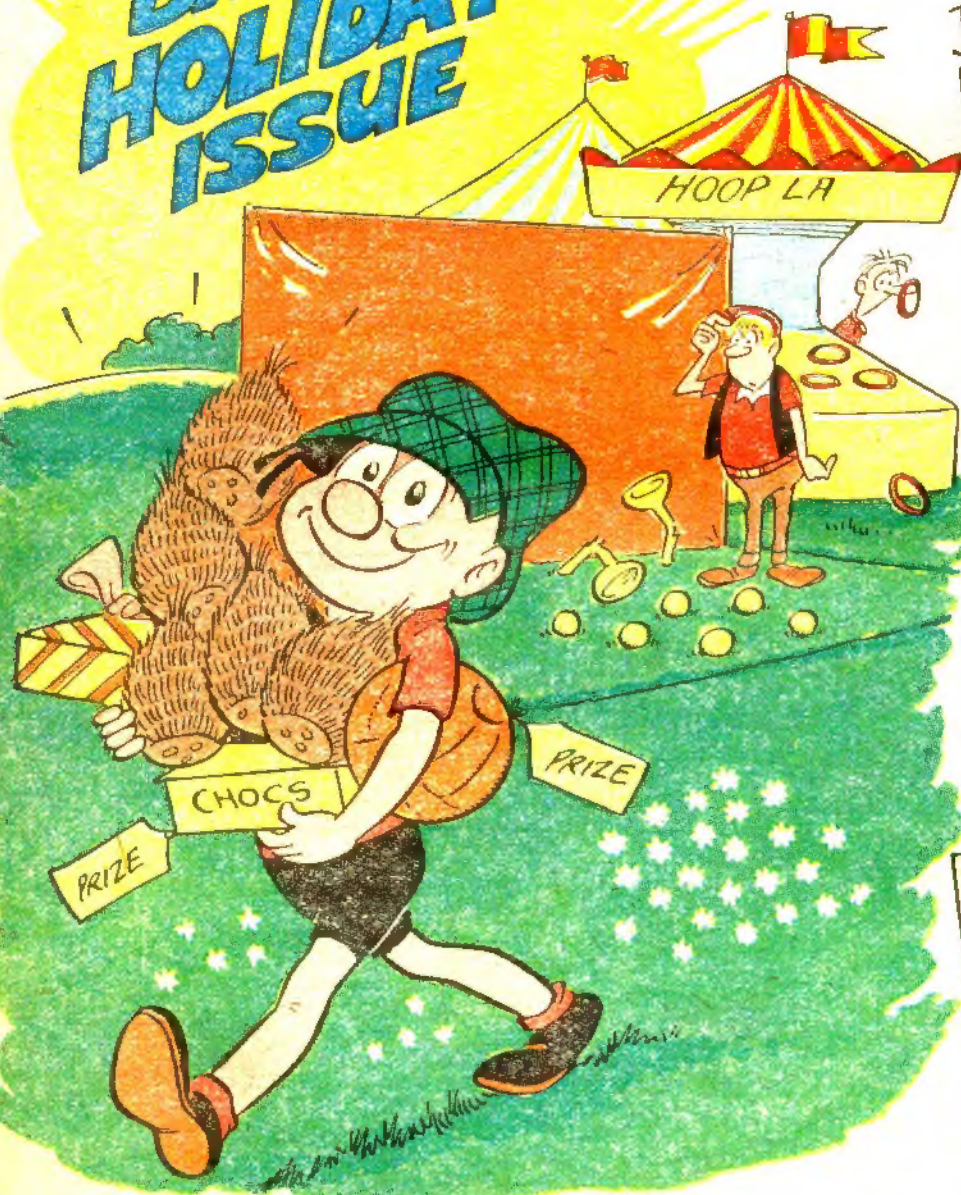


BUSTER

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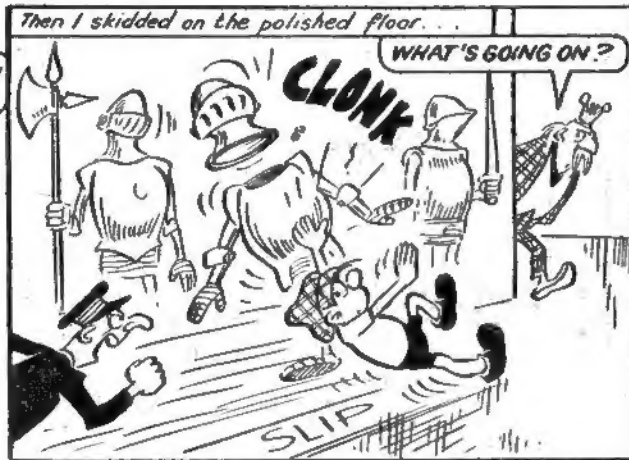


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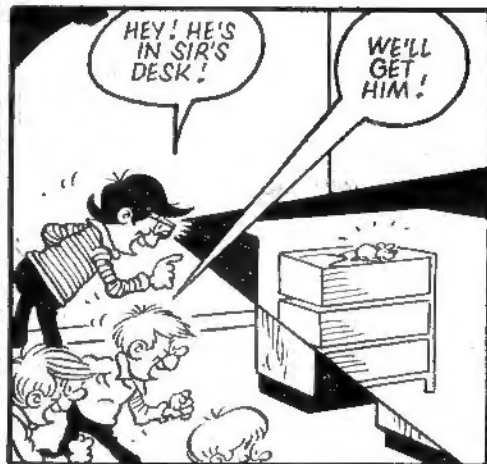
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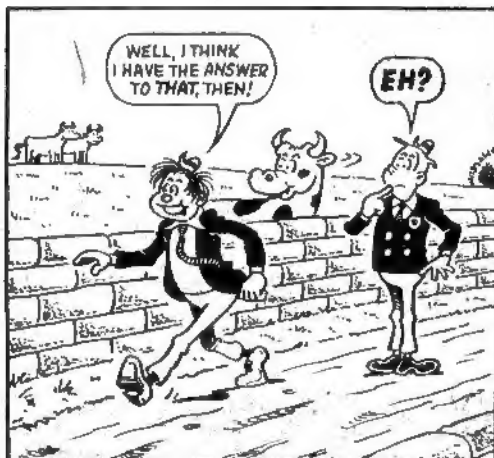
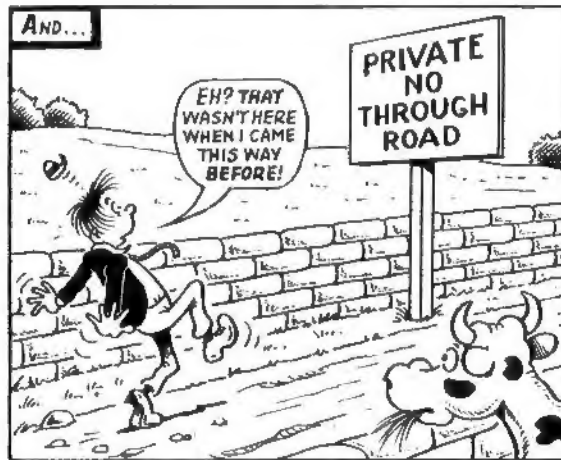
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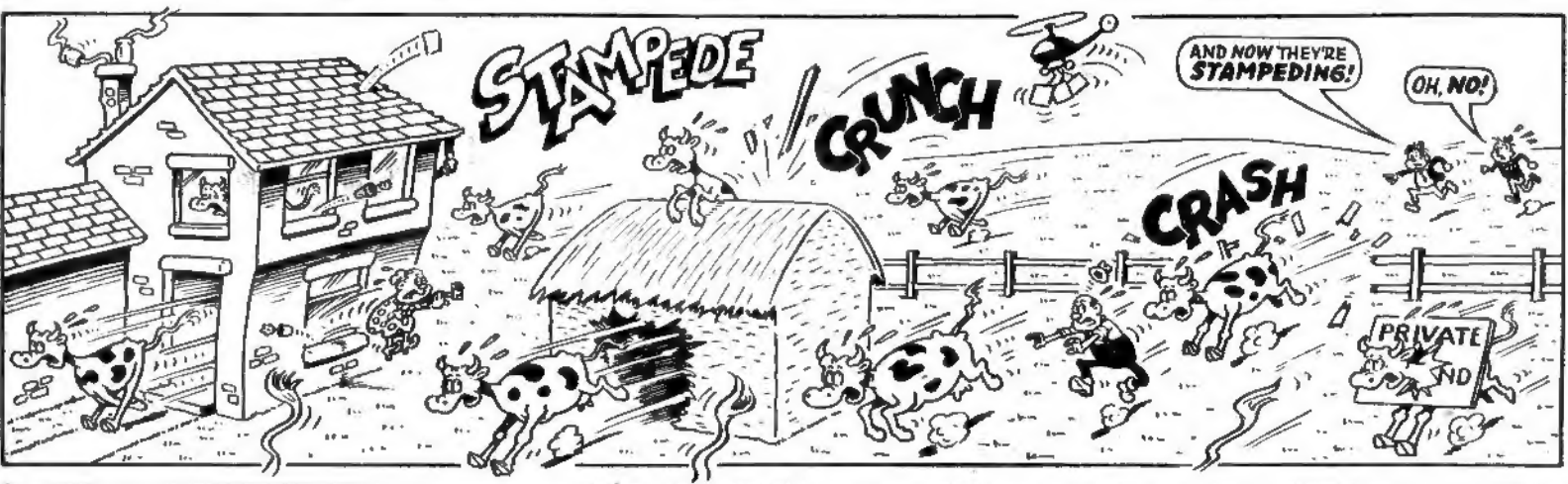
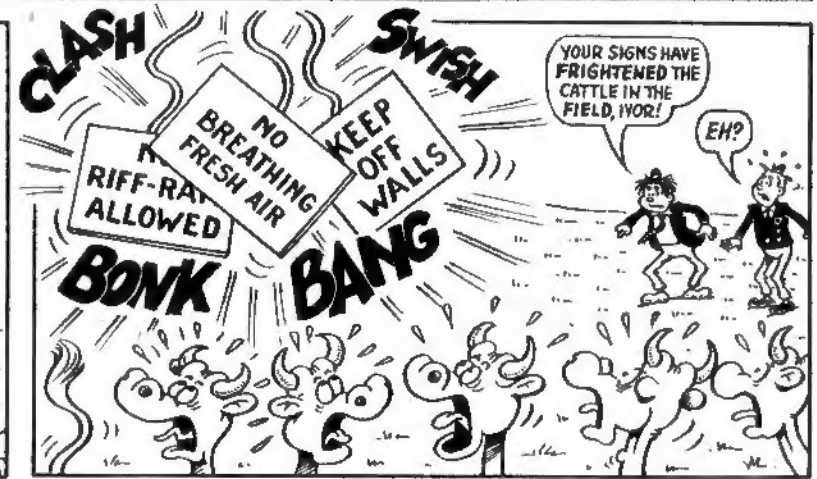
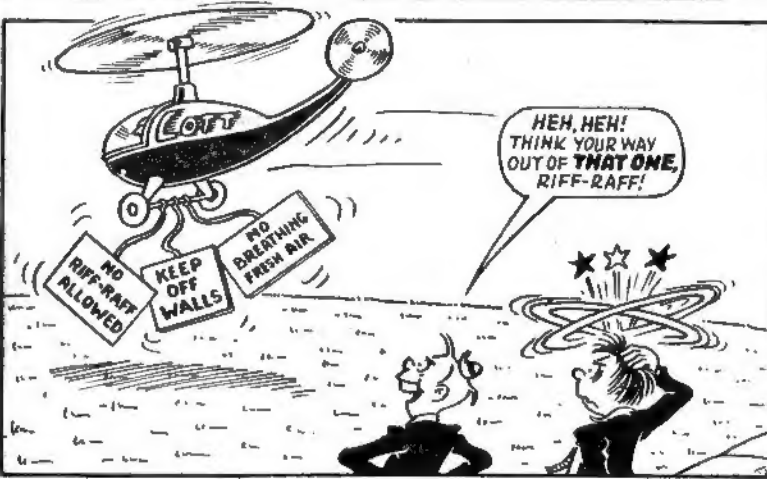


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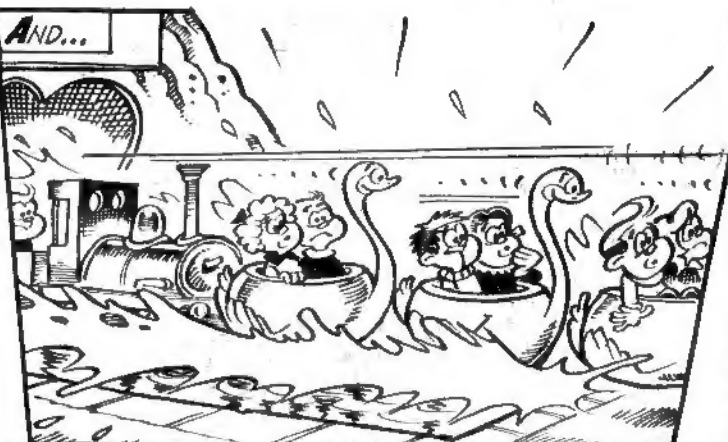
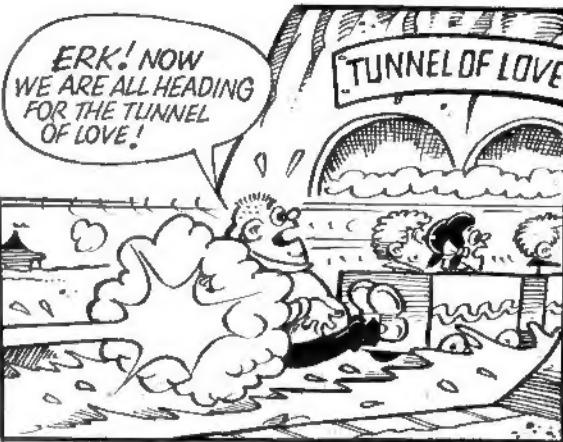


IVOR LOTT and TONY BROKE





BILLY BLOW



DEADLY HEDLEY

Vampire Detective



The Leopard from LIME ST.

BILLY FARMER, THE BOY WITH THE SPEED AND STRENGTH OF A FULLY-GROWN LEOPARD, WAS TRYING TO RAISE THE MONEY FOR A NEW SCHOOL MINIBUS, SO HE WOULDN'T HAVE TO PLAY IN AN IMPORTANT CRICKET MATCH. HIS ATTEMPT TO CATCH THE AMAZING 'ROLLER-MONSTER' ENDED WITH THE CROOK BEING CAPTURED AND BILLY BEING CHASED FROM THE SCENE...



ON THE MORNING OF THE CRICKET MATCH...



BILLY'S AUNT JOAN HAD NO IDEA THAT THE YOUNGSTER PREFERRED TO EAT HIS SAUSAGES RAW!



I'M NOT! IF I USE MY SUPER POWERS TO SCORE LOADS OF RUNS AND BOWL LIKE A DEMON, IT... IT WOULD BE LIKE... **CHEATING!**



BILLY'S CAT-LIKE INSTINCT LED HIM TO SEEK SOLITUDE IN A TREE!

BUT...

KRAK

AAARGH!
THE BRANCH
HAS BROKEN
UNDER MY
WEIGHT!

BLAM

ARE YOU
OKAY? YOU **MUST**
HAVE HURT YOUR-
SELF FALLING
FROM **THAT**
HEIGHT!

NO!
I'M FINE!
REALLY!

GOING TO SCORE
A CENTURY TODAY,
WHIZZKID?

BILLY CONTINUED HIS
JOURNEY TO SCHOOL...

BRUISED MY
KNUCKLES, BUT
THAT'S ALL!
I'M JUST TOO
BLOOMIN' STRONG,
THAT'S MY
TROUBLE!

HEY,
LOOK! HERE
COMES SUPERSTAR
FARMER!

OPEN DAY
CRICKET:
SCHOOL
PARENTS XI

SIDESHOWS
* TOMBOLA *
and BINGO *

OR TAKE
ALL TEN
WICKETS?

EVERYONE STILL
REMEMBERED BILLY'S
BRILLIANT PERFORMANCE
IN THE TRIAL MATCH,
AFTER HE HAD LOST
HIS TEMPER!

NO
CHANCE!
I **STILL**
SAY THAT
LAST LOT
WAS A
SHEER
FLUKE!

BILLY WAS CONSOLED
BY MR HOPGOOD,
WHO WAS ORGANISING
THE GAME...

TAKE NO
NOTICE OF THEM,
FARMER! I'M SURE
YOU'RE GOING TO
PROVIDE US ALL WITH
SOMETHING **REALLY**
UNUSUAL THIS
AFTERNOON!

YOU **BET**
I AM, SIR!

BILLY HALF-HOPED
THAT A DOWNPOUR
WOULD WASH OUT
THE GAME... BUT
THE SUN SHONE, AND
HUNDREDS OF PARENTS
AND VISITORS FLOCKED
INTO THE SCHOOL
PLAYING FIELDS...

JUST BEFORE
THE MATCH GETS
UNDER-WAY...
AN EXCITING
ANNOUNCEMENT
FROM MR HOP-
GOOD...

CONTINUED OVERLEAF

AND HERE SHE IS—THE BRAVEST LITTLE GIRL
THAT ANYONE COULD WISH TO MEET...
DEBBIE STEVENS!

YOU MAY
HAVE READ IN THE
NEWSPAPERS ABOUT
THE CAPTURE OF A
NOTORIOUS CRIMINAL
CALLED THE
'ROLLER-
MONSTER'...

EH?

WELL, IT WAS **DEBBIE** WHO
HELPED TO CAPTURE HIM...
BY CAUSING HIS ACCOMPLICE
TO PANIC, AND DRIVE THE
MONSTER INTO THE ARMS
OF HIS PURSUERS!

THE MONSTER'S
VICTIMS WERE SO GRATEFUL,
THEY GOT UP A SPECIAL
COLLECTION, AND PRESENTED
IT TO THE SCHOOL—A CHEQUE
FOR **FIVE HUNDRED
POUNDS**—ENOUGH TO
MAKE THE FINAL
PAYMENT ON THE
NEW MINI-
BUS!

AS BILLY REALISED
THAT HE NEEDN'T HAVE
TURNED UP, HIS WHOLE
BODY BEGAN TO TINGLE
WITH RAGE...

HURRAAY!

SUFFERING
STARS...

WHY DIDN'T
HOPGOOD **TELL ME?**
I COULD HAVE BACKED
OUT OF THE GAME WITH-
OUT LETTING THE
SCHOOL DOWN! WELL,
THAT **DOES IT! GRRRR!**
THEY'RE GOING TO SEE SOME-
THING **UNUSUAL**, ALL RIGHT...

SECONDS
LATER...

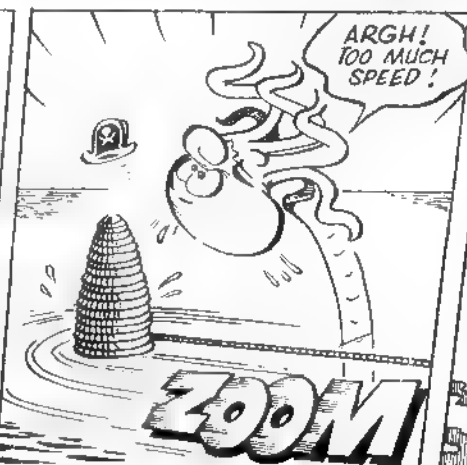
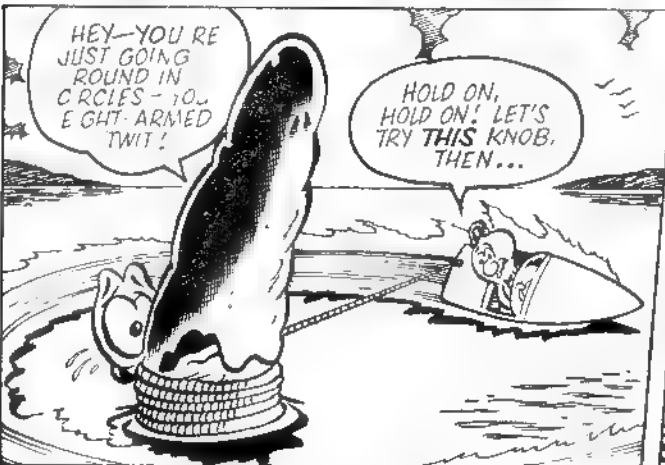
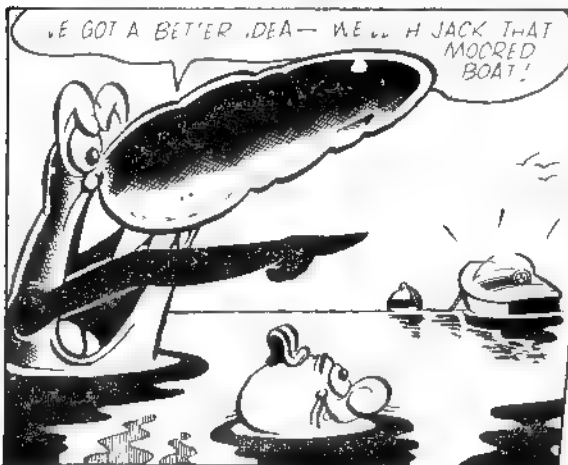
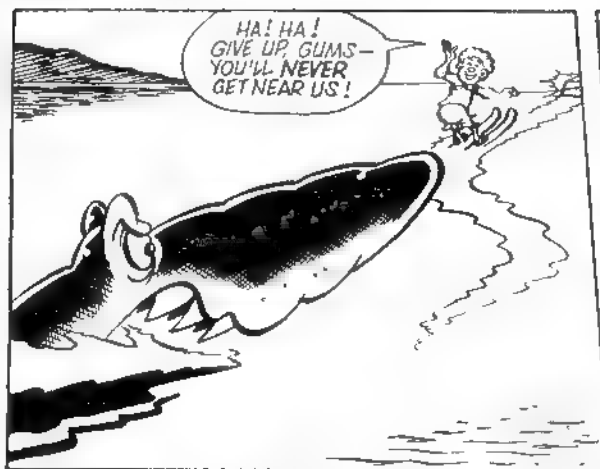
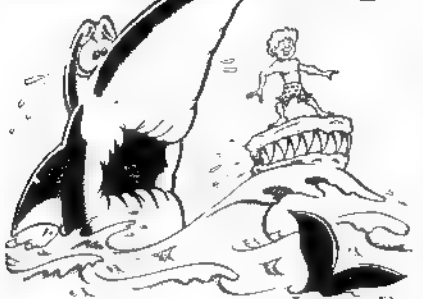
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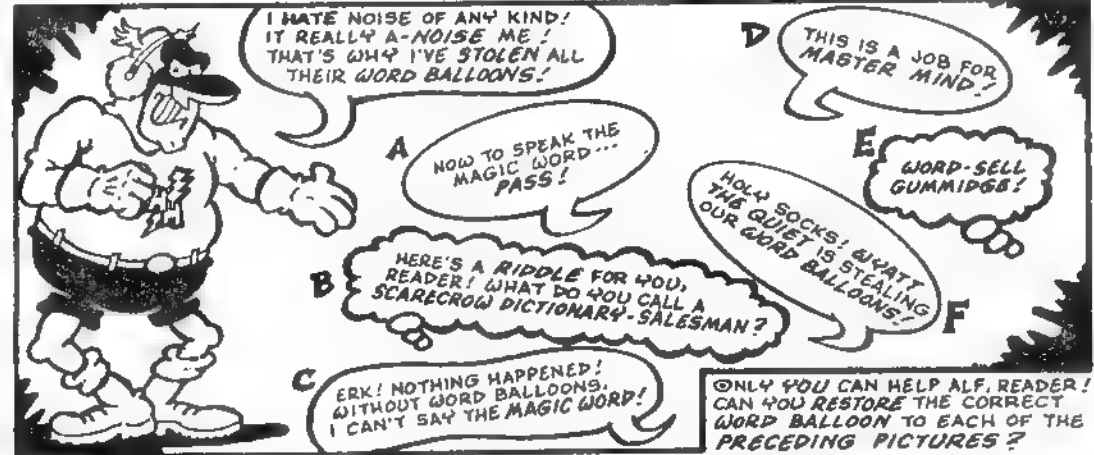
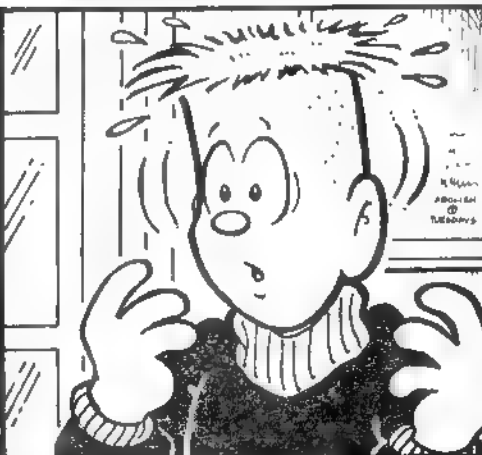
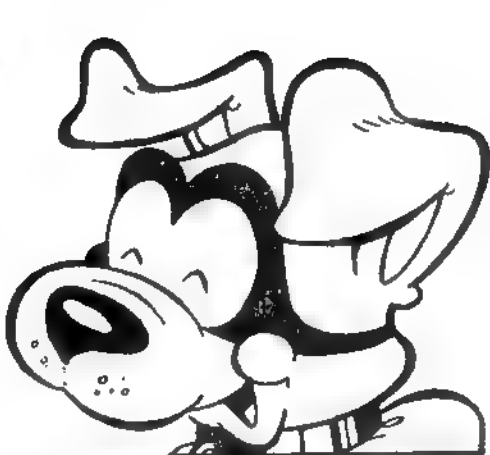
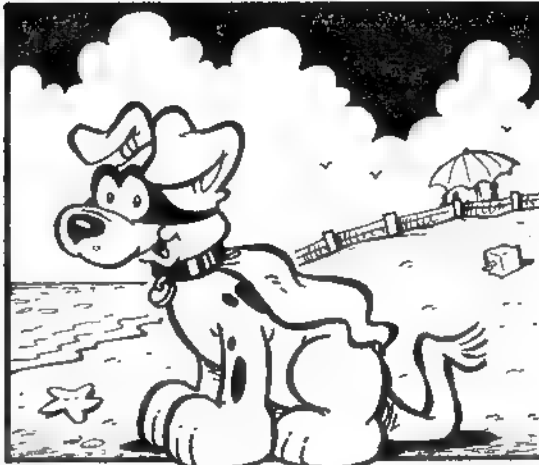
FORGET THOSE
PADS AND GLOVES,
SELBY... JUST GINME
A BAT! I'M GOING TO
SMASH THE PARENTS' BOWLING!

HUUUUH?

See Billy's thrilling tactics on the cricket field in our next issue!

GUMS





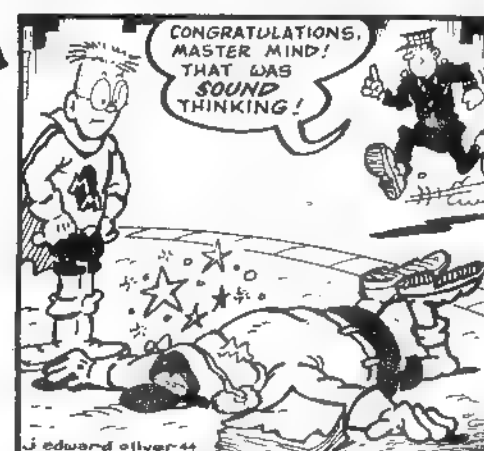
WELL DONE, READER! THE ANSWER IS: 1-B, 2-E, 3-F, 4-D, 5-A, 6-C.

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PAH, IF HE TRIES TO TALK, I'LL STEAL HIS WORD BALLOONS, TOO! BUT WHERE'S HE GOING?

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WITH THE WORD BALLOON RESTORED, MAGIC LIGHTNING FINALLY THUNDERS DOWN---



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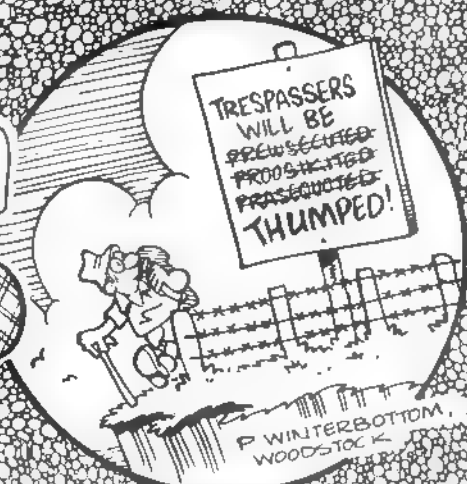
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ELEPHANTS GO SWIMMING
TOGETHER?

BECAUSE THEY
HAD ONLY ONE
PAIR OF
TRUNKS
BETWEEN
THEM!



GARETH WOODS,
BALLYMENA

GOOD NEWS

THERE IS
NO ONE IN
THE
SWIMMING
POOL!

BAD NEWS

...EXCEPT
GUMS!



WHY DO I HAVE
TO PAY TO COME
INTO THE ZOO?

BECAUSE THE
RHINOCEROS
CHARGES!

ZOO



PETER DIXON,
ECKINGTON

DAD, THERE'S
A MAN AT
THE DOOR
WITH A BALD
HEAD!

TELL HIM I'VE
ALREADY GOT
ONE!



MARK WOOD,
SOUTHMEAD

WHY ARE YOU
WEARING THAT
BLINDFOLD?

I CAN'T STAND
HEIGHTS!



TOPEL RUSSELL,
EASTWOOD

WHAT DO BIRDS
DRINK OUT OF?

BEAKERS!



RAY CAIN,
LIVERPOOL

I'M NOT GOING
TO THE ZOO
THIS BANK
HOLIDAY!

OH, GOT ENOUGH
CHIMPS,
HAVE THEY?



DO YOU SERVE
CRABS HERE?

COME IN, SIR - WE'LL
SERVE
ANYONE!



DARREN ALDRICH,
WORMLEY

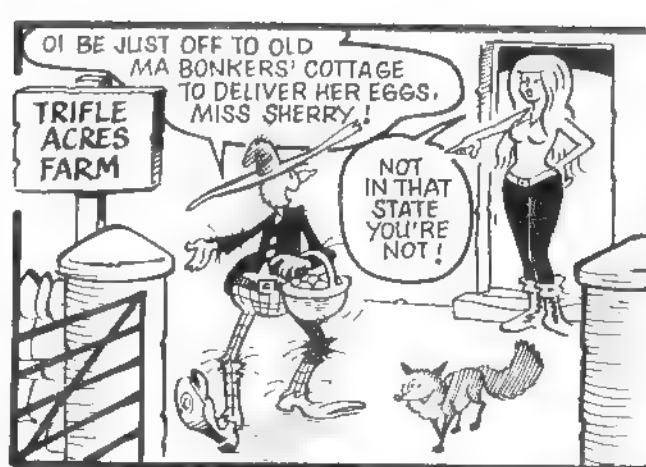
WHAT'S A
BARBECUE?

A LINE OF
PEOPLE WAITING
TO GET A
HAIRCUT!

BANK HOLIDAY
BEACH
BARBECUE
TONIGHT!

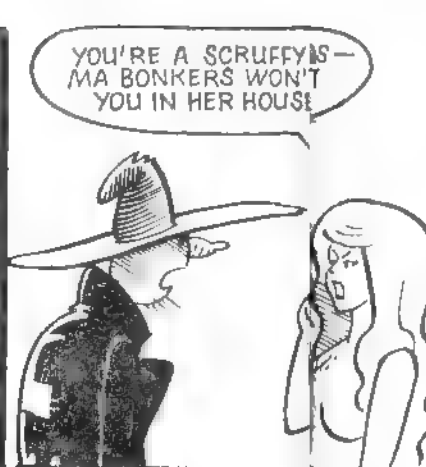


DAVID CONRAD,
ILFORD



OI BE JUST OFF TO OLD MA BONKERS' COTTAGE TO DELIVER HER EGGS, MISS SHERRY!

NOT IN THAT STATE YOU'RE NOT!



YOU'RE A SCRUFFY'S - MA BONKERS WON'T YOU IN HER HOUSE!



SO... KEEP SEARCHING! THERE'S BOUND TO BE **SOMETHING** IN YOUR 'SPARE CLOTHES' BOX!



EVENTUALLY... OI'M AS HAPPY AS A TREE, OI LOVE LIFE AND IT LOVES ME!

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN A SMARTER SCARECROW?



TAP TAP

COMING!



THIS IS A SURPRISE! I DIDN'T EXPECT YOU BACK SO SOON!

Short sighted!



SIT DOWN! WE'LL TALK ABOUT THE OLD VASE YOU WANT TO BUY!

VASE? OI BAIN'T BE BUYING NO VASE!



NOT **BUY**? AREN'T YOU THE ANTIQUE DEALER, WHO VISITS YESTER?

NO, MA'AM!



THEN GET OUT OF MY HOUSE!

BOOT



WHAT WAS ALL THAT ABOUT?

I BAIN'T GOT A CLUE!

Drip Drip



TEE, HEE! I SHOULD MAKE AN EASY PROFIT FROM THAT OLD GRANDMA!

WHO'S THAT?

SSSH!



SHE DOESN'T REALISE THAT VASE IS AN ANTIQUE WORTH **THOUSANDS**! I'LL OFFER HER **FIVE POUNDS** FOR IT!

THE ROTTER!



'MORNING, MA! I'VE RETURNED TO BUSINESS

WE'VE GOT TO STOP HIM!

AH, YES! YOU A THE MAN FROM YESTER! COME IN!



AND...

DON'T TAKE HIS MONEY, MA! HE'S A TRICKSTER!

YOU AGAIN!



STOP WASTING MY TIME! TAKE THAT AND THAT...

TEE, HEE!

CRASH!



...AND THIS!

NO, NO! NOT THAT VASE - IT'S WORTH **THOUSANDS**!



WORTH **THOUSANDS**? AND YOU WERE ONLY GOING TO GIVE ME **FIVE POUNDS** FOR IT!

TEE, HEE!

GULP!



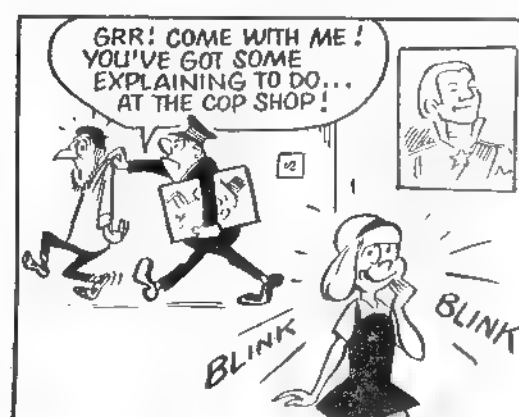
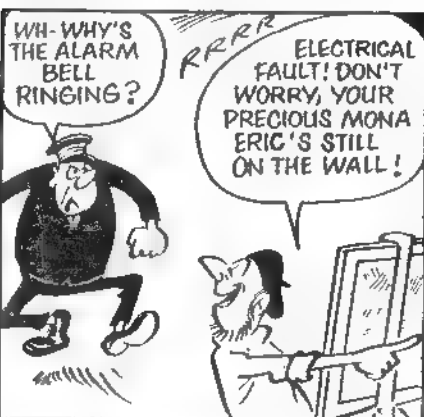
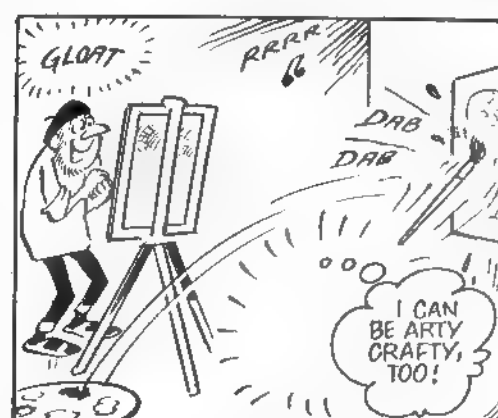
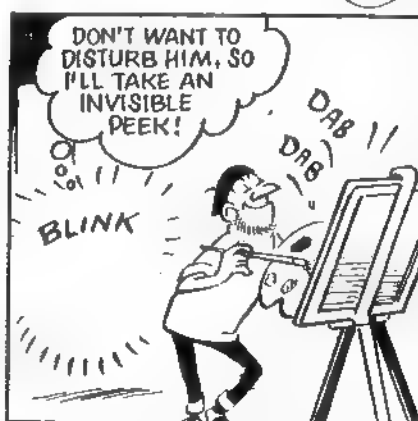
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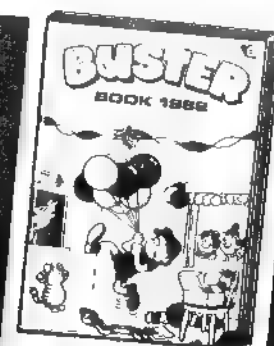
POOR OLD MA NEVER GOT HER EGGS!

IF SHE SELLS THAT VASE TO AN **HONEST** DEALER, SHE CAN AFFORD HER OWN **CHICKEN FARM**!

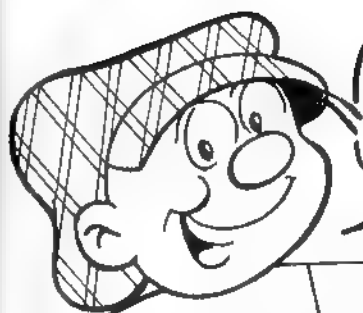
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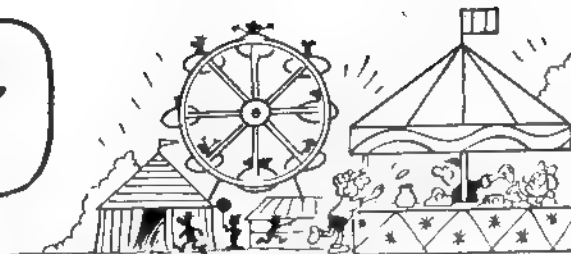
Something else that disappears fast...



IN THE SHOPS NOW!



On your marks, pals, for my
great **BANK HOLIDAY**
FAIR RACE!



ENTRANCE
and EXIT

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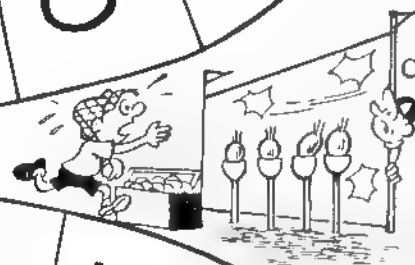
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Buster was determined not to leave the fair until he collected 5 different prizes, and that's the task for the players in this race. It's a game for two players, and all you need is a pencil, two counters and a dice. Both players, in turn, move their counters around the board, according to the number of pips scored on the dice. As they land on the prizes, they tick them off their check list. When a player's check list is completed, he carries on to the fair exit — and the first one there is the winner. Use a pencil to mark your ticks, so they can be rubbed out when the game is over, and you can play again!



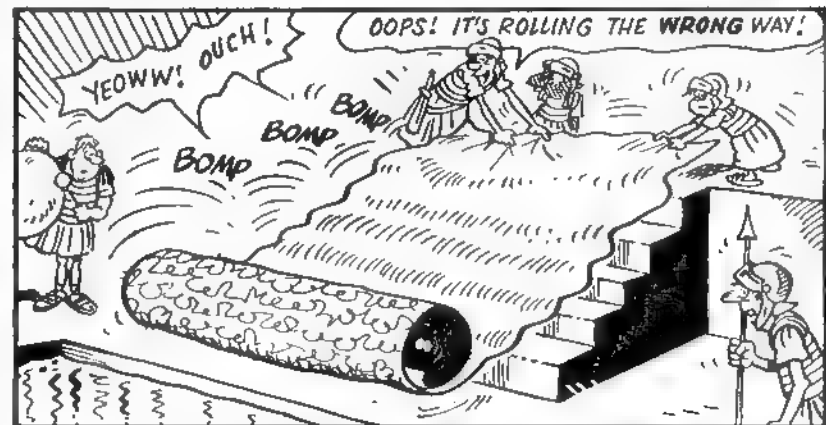
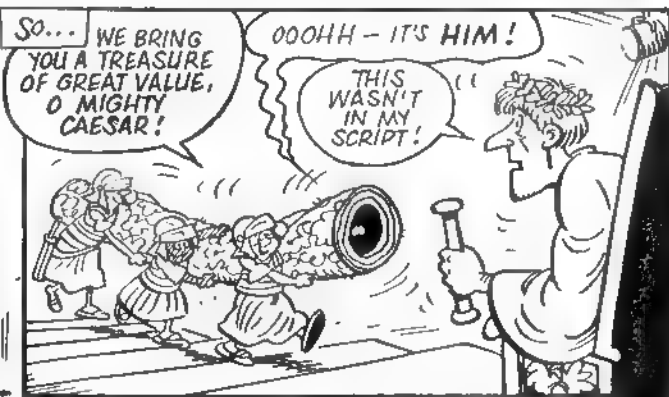
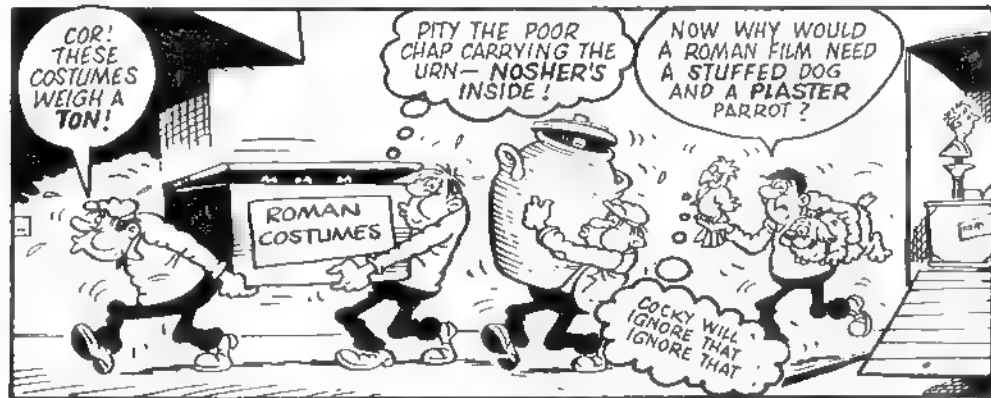
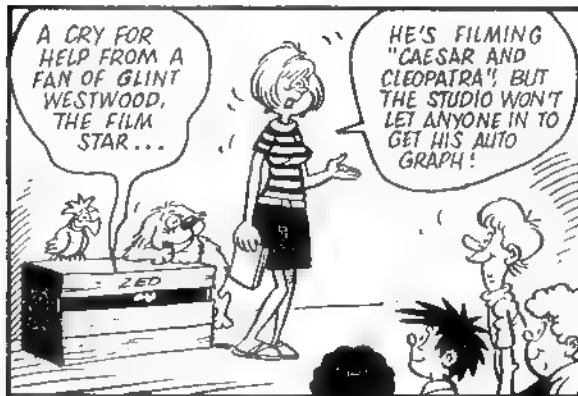
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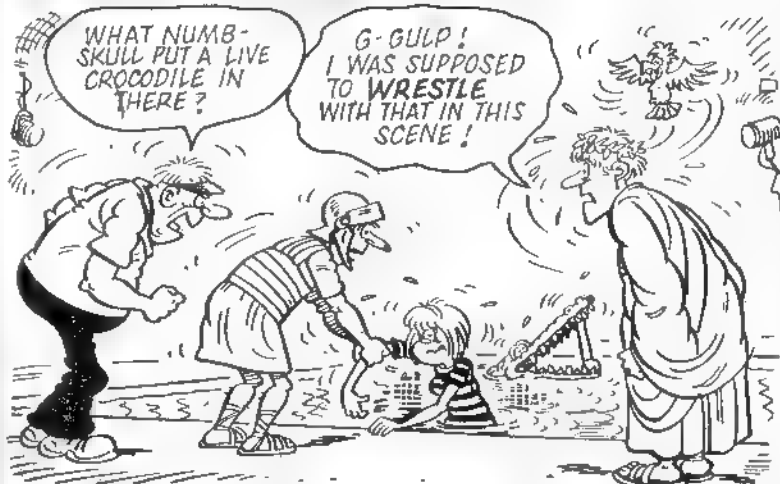
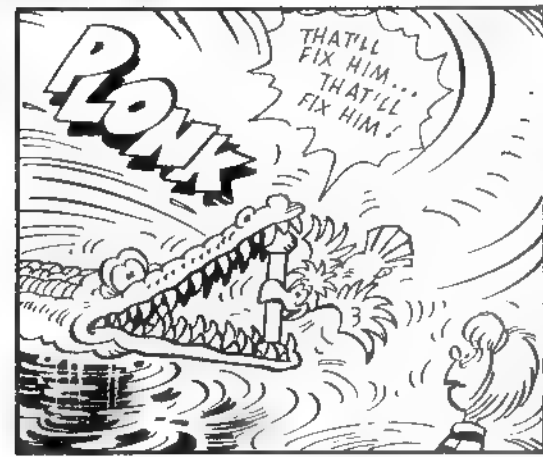


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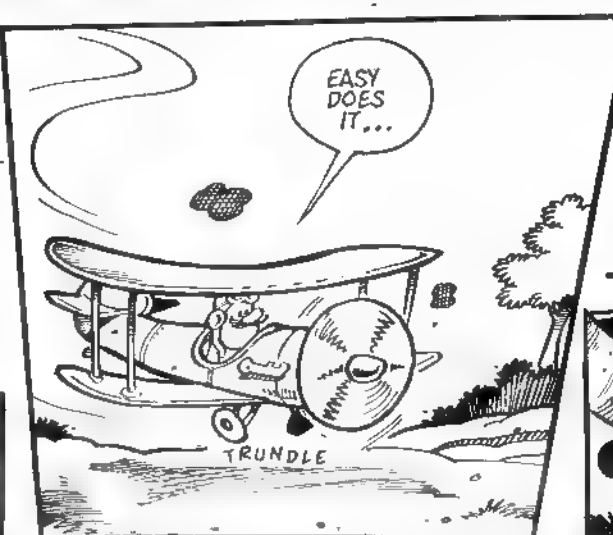
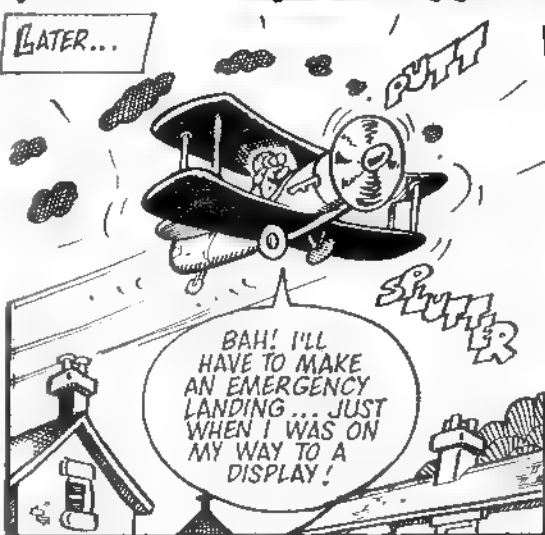
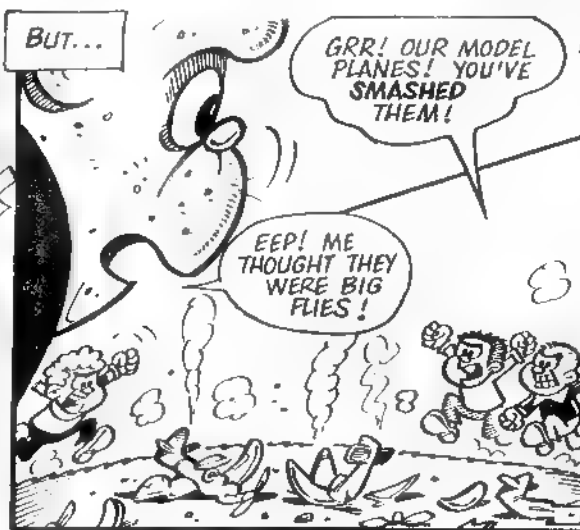
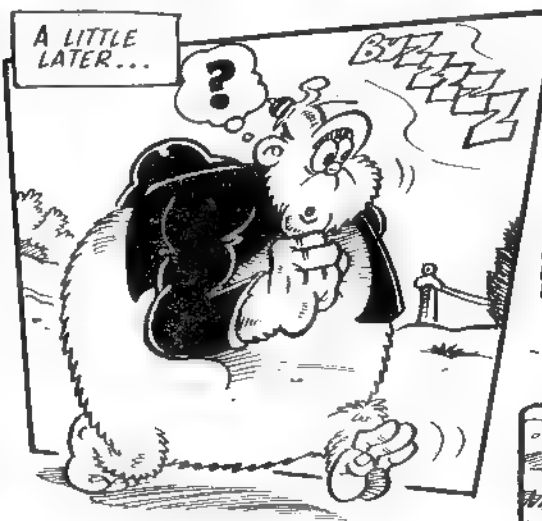
✓
TICK
WHEN
YOU
LAND

COCKY
BIFF BUGGINS
ZIP JOHNSON
SKYPOLE SMITH
BUNDLE
S.O.S. SQUAD
NOSHER MULLIGAN
BABY BOFFIN
EFFEL RED





KID KONG



PHEW!
IT'S SOFT!
HOW?

PAFFF

MEEP!!

GULP!
THAT'S
WHY!

SHORTLY...

COME
ON!
HURRY
UP!

WHAT'S
ALL THE
EXCITEMENT
ABOUT?

KID'S GOT
A MODEL
PLANE!

WHAT?
NOT
AGAIN!

YOO HOO,
GRAN! KID
EARN MONEY
NOW, PUTTING
ON A FLYING
DISPLAY!

THIS WAY, PALS!

BUT...

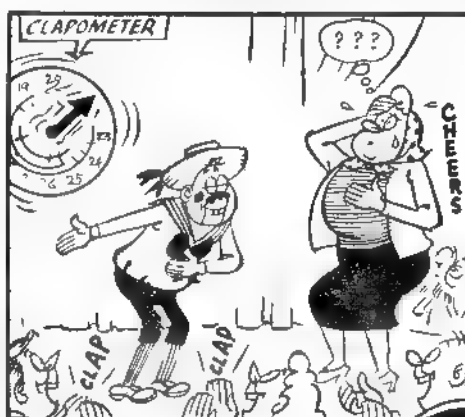
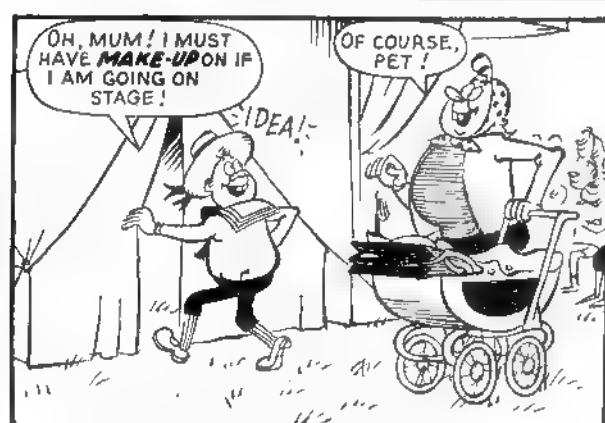
I'D
BETTER
GET THERE
QUICKLY
BEFORE HE
COSTS ME
MORE
MONEY!

GREAT!

WOW!

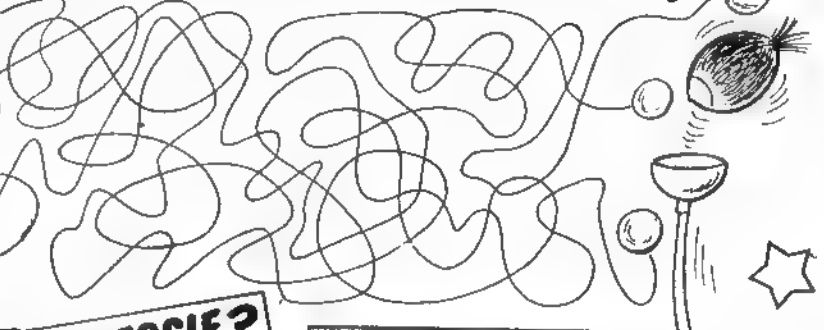
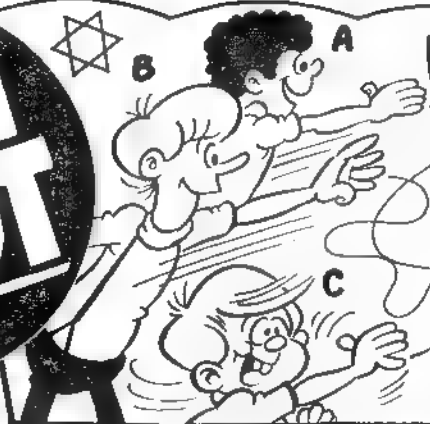


MUMMY'S BOY



FUN SPOT

WHO WINS THE COCONUT?



KID'S LIGHTHOUSE WALK!

SEE IF YOU CAN REACH KID KONG AT THE TOP OF THE LIGHTHOUSE, BY TRACING YOUR WAY UP THROUGH THE BRICKS. DON'T CROSS ANY LINES, THOUGH!



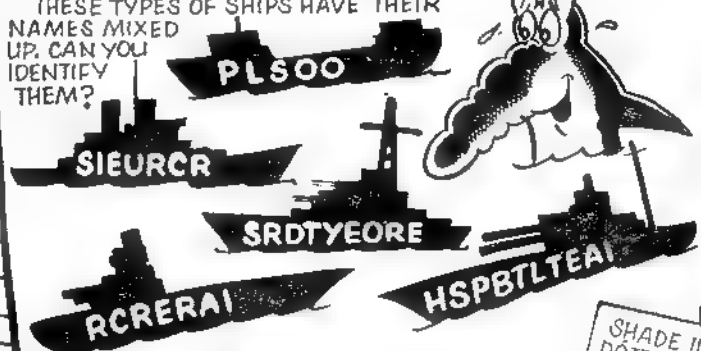
WHAT'S BUSTER'S PRESSIE?



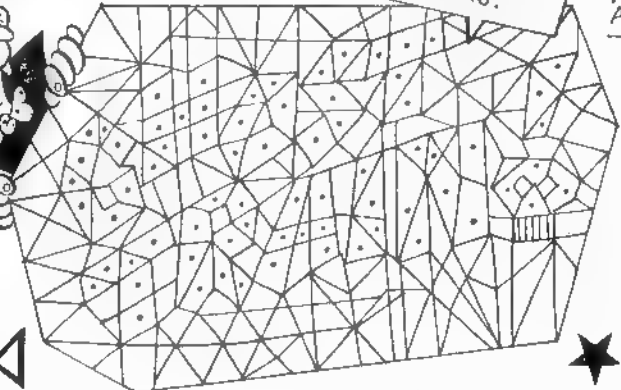
BUSTER IS LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE TO FIND OUT WHAT HIS NEXT BIRTHDAY PRESENT IS GOING TO BE. HELP HIM, BY MATCHING THE NUMBERS TO THE CORRESPONDING LETTERS OF THE ALPHABET — THEN UNSCRAMBLE THEM.

All at sea with GUMS

OUR FISHY FRIEND IS CONFUSED. THESE TYPES OF SHIPS HAVE THEIR NAMES MIXED UP. CAN YOU IDENTIFY THEM?



DEADLY HEDLEY'S CHOICE!



SHADE IN THE DOTTED SHAPES TO FIND OUT WHICH SIDE-SHOW HE PREFERS.

Pair them up...!



PAIR UP THE OBJECTS WITH THE SPORTSMEN WHO USE THEM.

Pick a Number

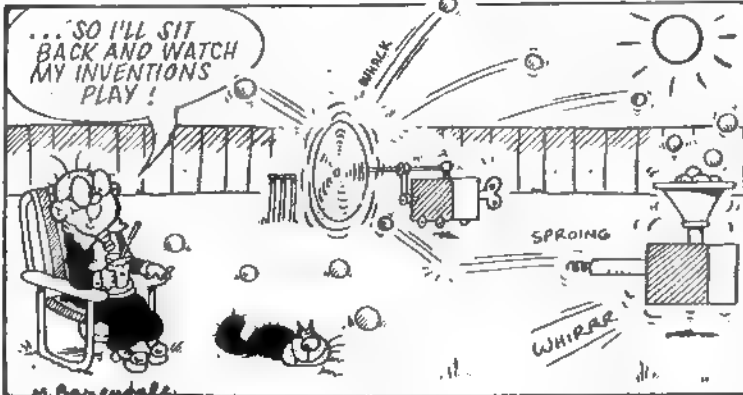
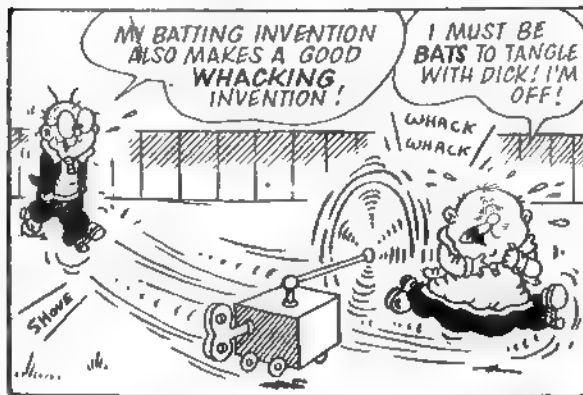
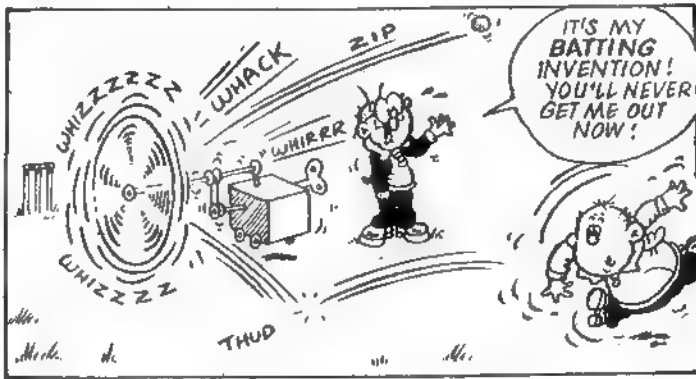
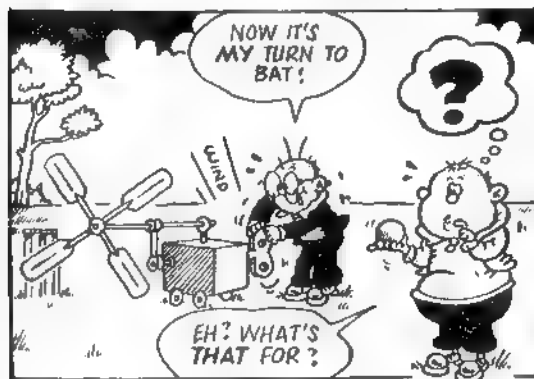
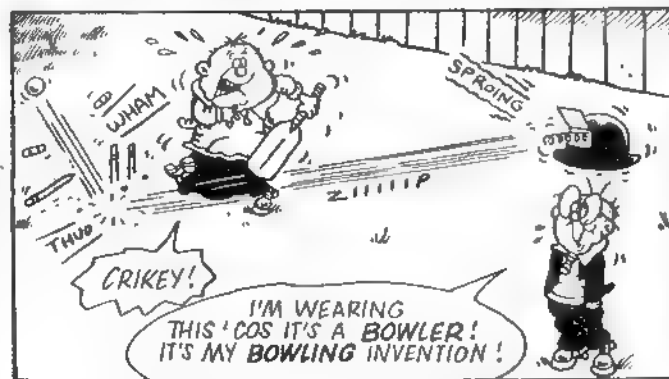
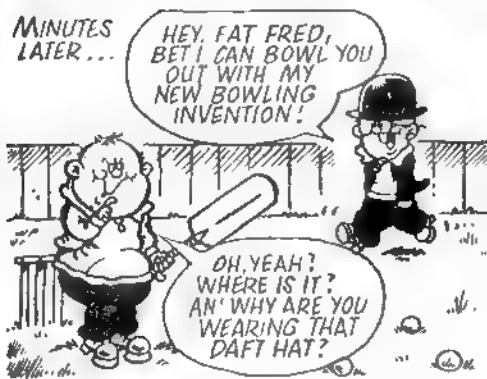
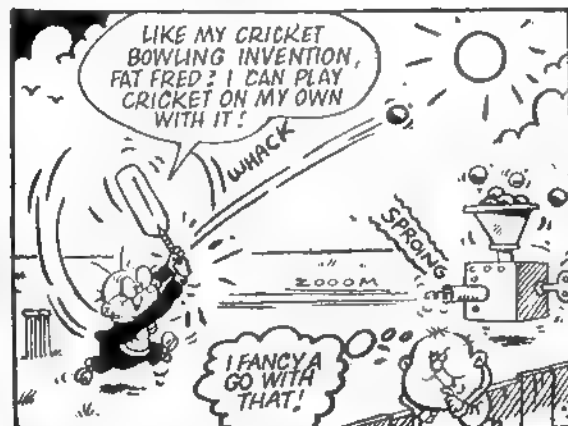
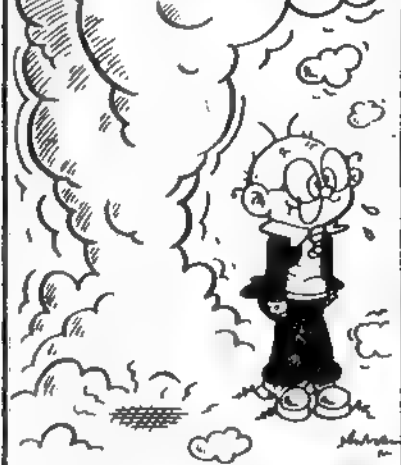
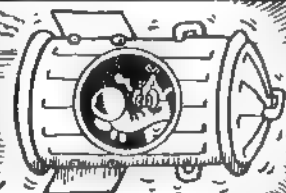
WRITE IN A NUMBER FROM ONE TO TEN WHOSE SOUND, TOGETHER WITH THE LETTERS SHOWN, WILL SPELL A WORD.

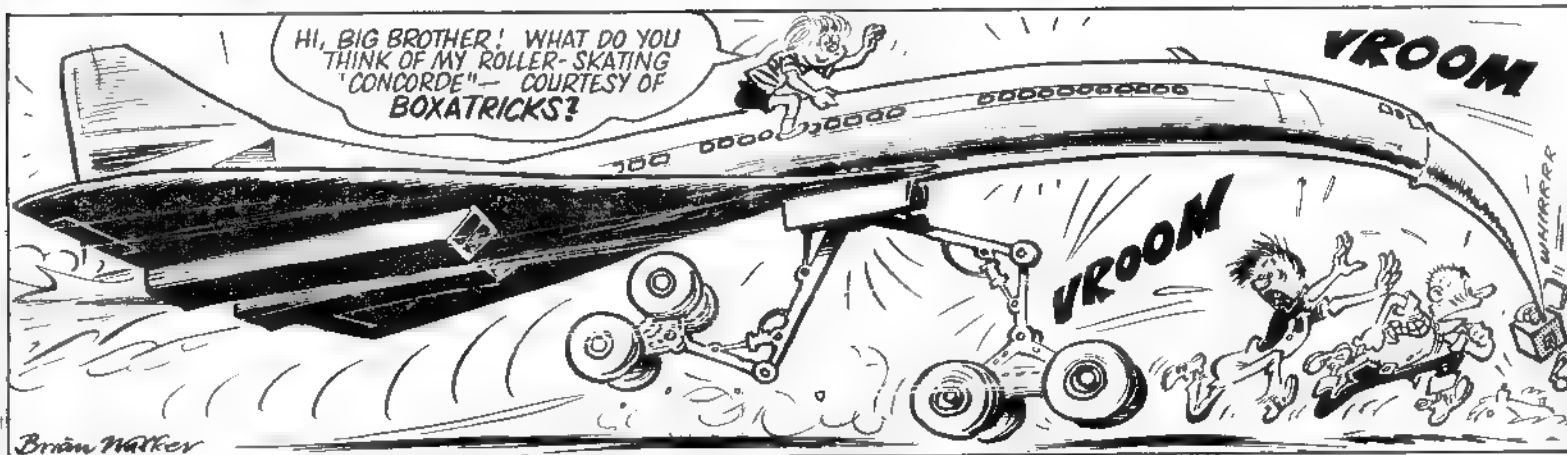
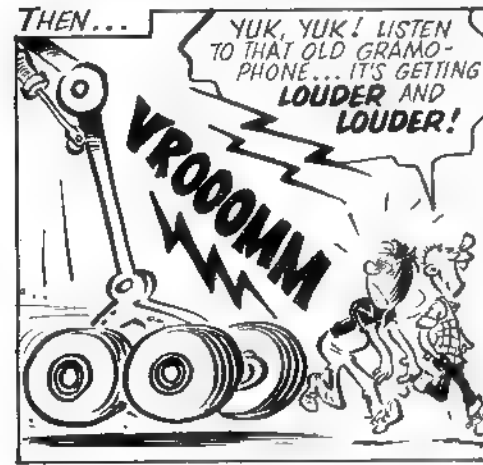
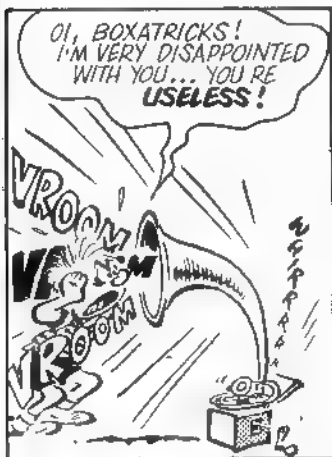
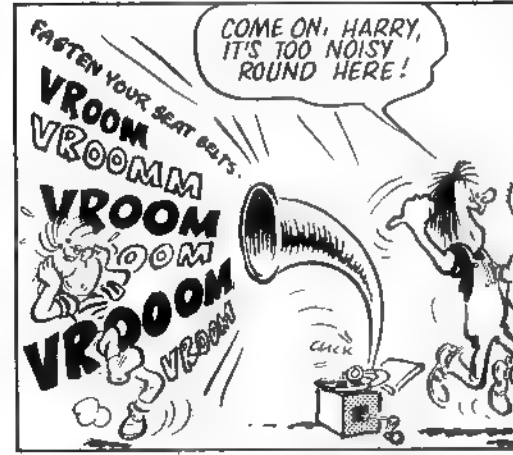
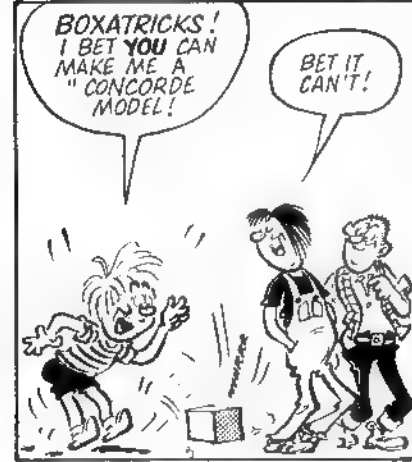
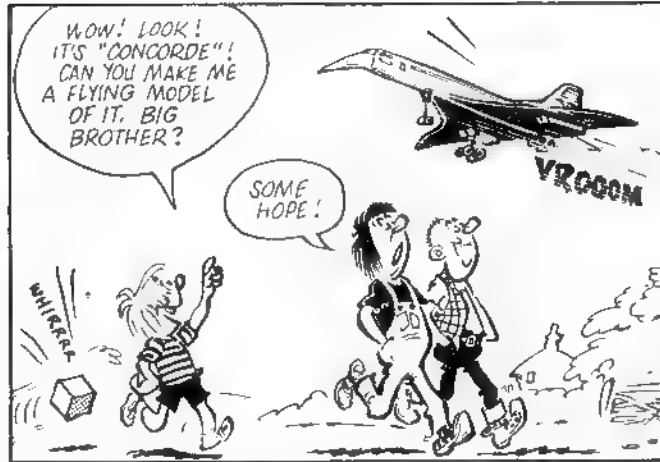
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ANSWERS:-	
COCONUT - BOY C.	
BUSTER - SKATES.	
GUMS - SLOOP, CRUISER.	
DESTROYER, CARRIER, BATTLESHIP.	
PAIRS -	
NUMBERS -	
BEFORE.	
TENDER.	
WONDER.	
AGGRAVATE.	
MASK.	

CLEVER DICK

THE DAFT INVENTOR (AND NAPOLEON DOG)





BARRY and BOING

ORPHAN BARRY BATES WAS HELPING A SPRING-BUILT ROBOT CALLED BOING TO ESCAPE FROM HIS CRUEL ALIEN MASTERS FLYING TO AMERICA TO TRY TO FIND BARRY'S UNCLE HAMISH. THE TWO PALS MANAGED TO PREVENT A HI-JACKING IN MID-AIR. NOW, AS A REWARD, THEY WERE BEING SHOWN ALL THE FANTASTIC SIGHTS OF NEW YORK CITY...

THAT'S THE FAMOUS STATUE OF LIBERTY, BOING! BEAUTIFUL, ISN'T IT?

Yes, truly a remarkable Earthling structure, Master Barry!

But now, if you don't mind, I think I'll have some of that free lunch the airline laid on for us!

GOOD IDEA! BEDSPRINGS FOR YOU, GRUB FOR ME! AFTER WE'VE TUCKED IN, WE CAN HAVE A SNOOZE IN THE SUN!

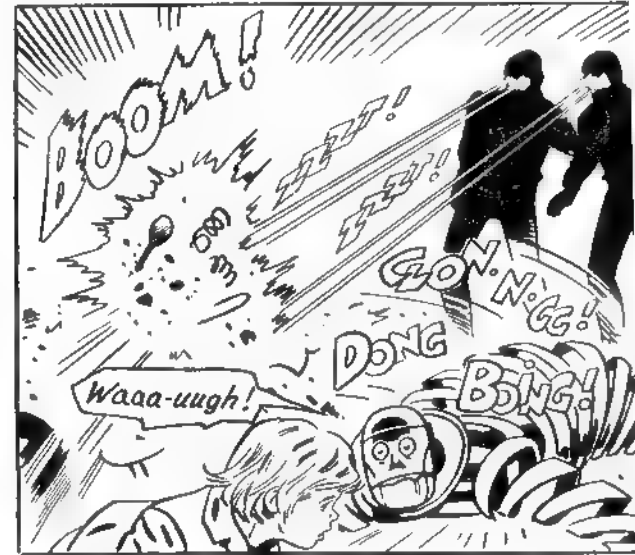
BUT DUE TO WIDESPREAD PUBLICITY, BOING'S ALIEN MASTERS KNEW HE WAS IN NEW YORK, TOO. AND ONCE AGAIN THEY WERE CLOSING IN...

NOW IS OUR CHANCE, BROTHER! ARE YOUR DARK GLASSES ADJUSTED?

YES, TO ASTRAL STUNNING FORCE PLUS TWO! THE RENEGADE ROBOT WON'T ESCAPE THIS TIME!

BUT STOOPING TO PICK UP A CAKE HE'D DROPPED, BARRY TURNED HIS HEAD AND...

OH, NO! THE ALIENS! HIT THE DECK, BOING, QUICKLY!

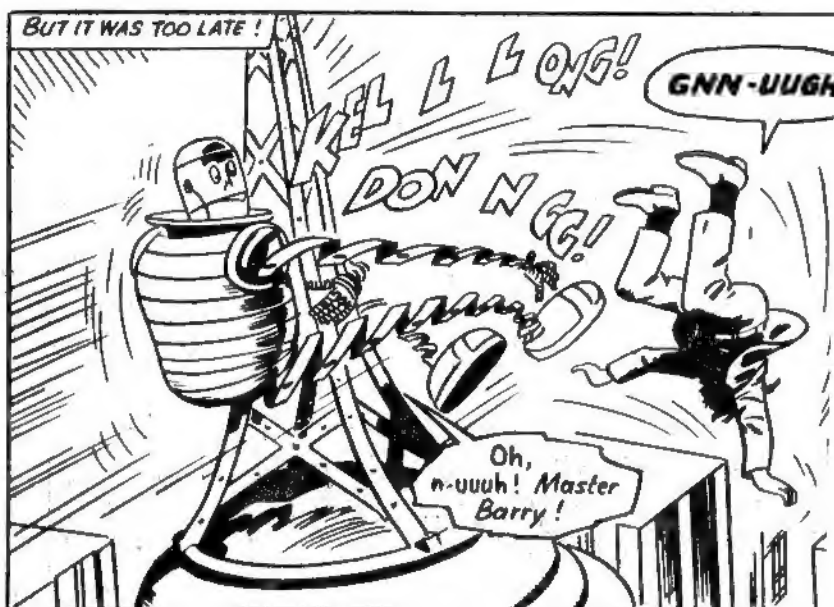
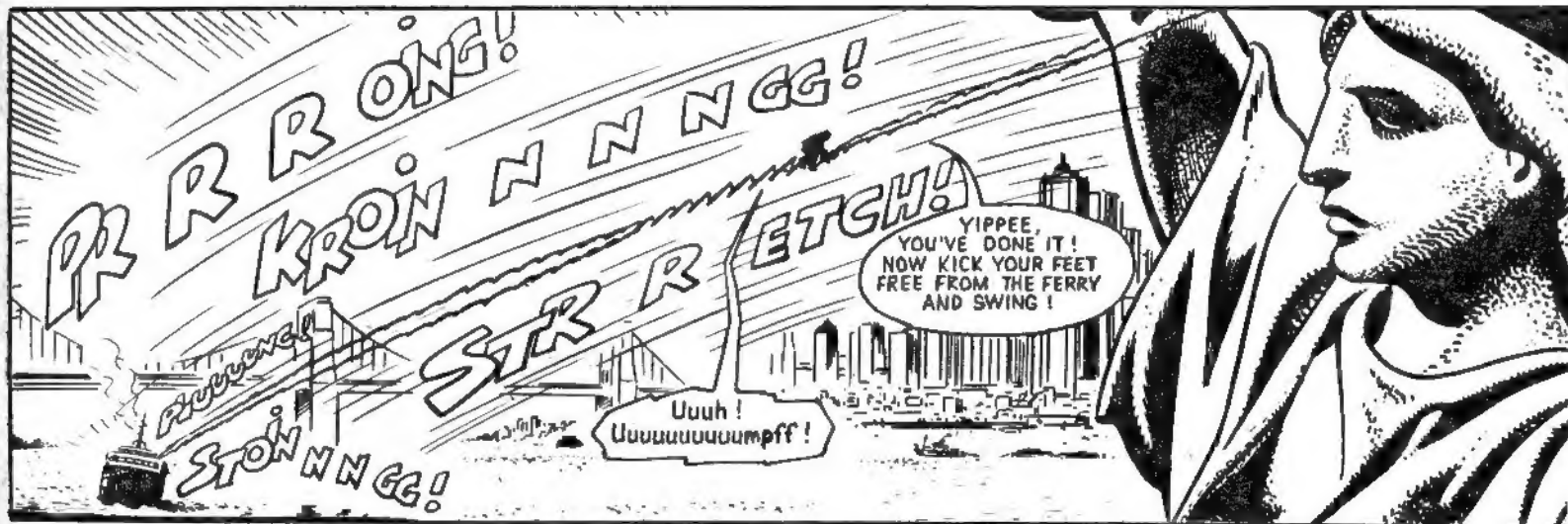


M master Barry, I'm too scared to fight back! Help me!

THAT'S WHAT I'M DOING, YOU ASS! I'VE JUST CLOBBERED THEM WITH A TABLE!

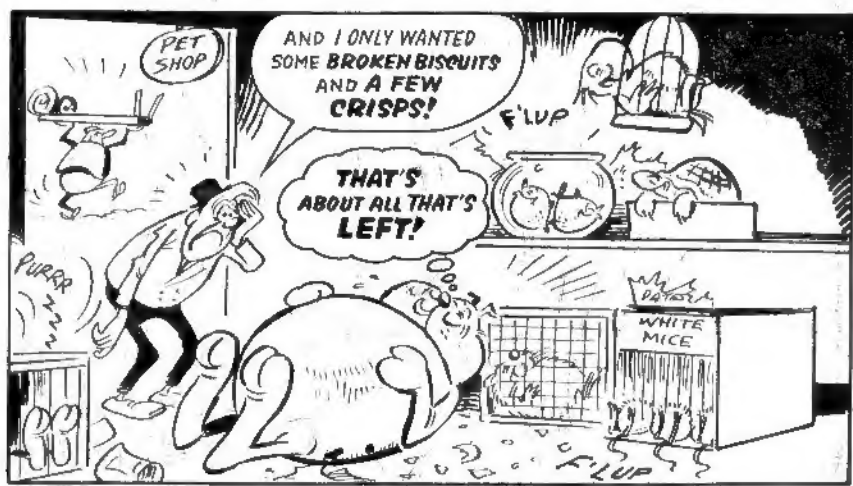
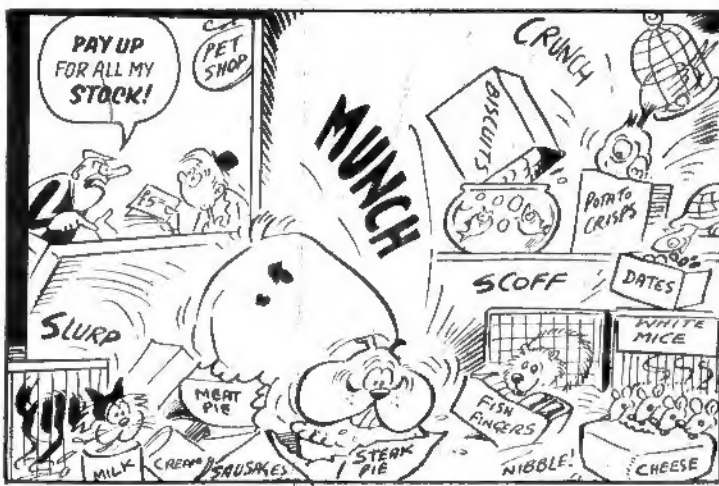
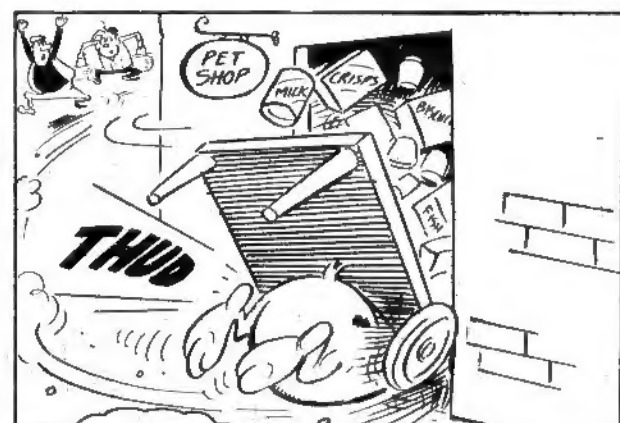
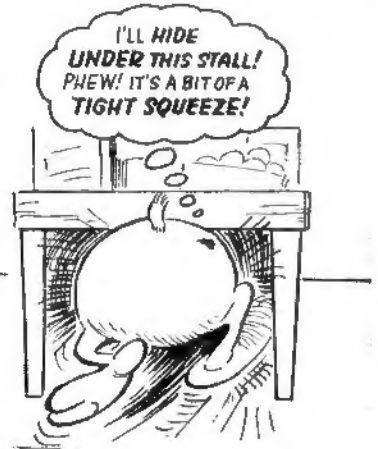
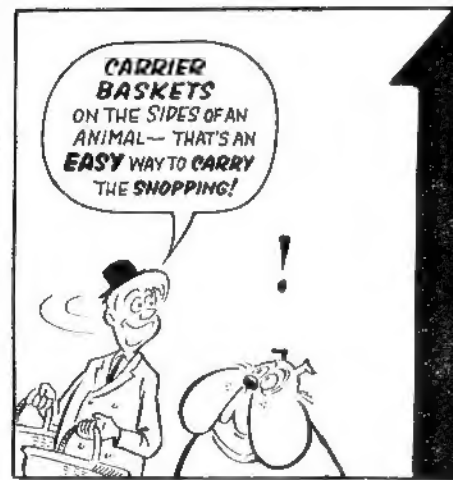
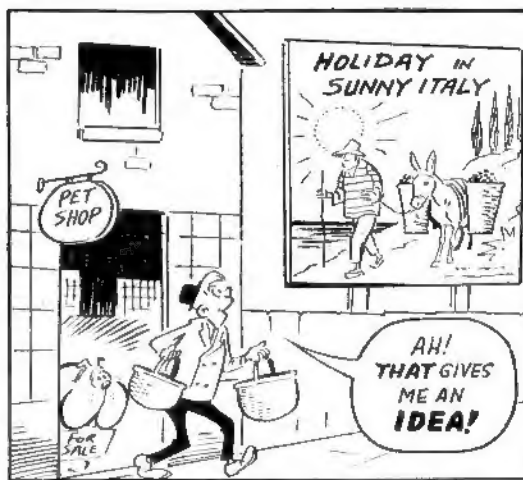
NOW THEN—EXTEND YOUR SPRINGS AND GRAB THE STATUE OF LIBERTY! WE'LL ESCAPE BY SWINGING ON HER RIGHT ARM!

B-by my bolts, that is quite a stretch! But I'll have to try!

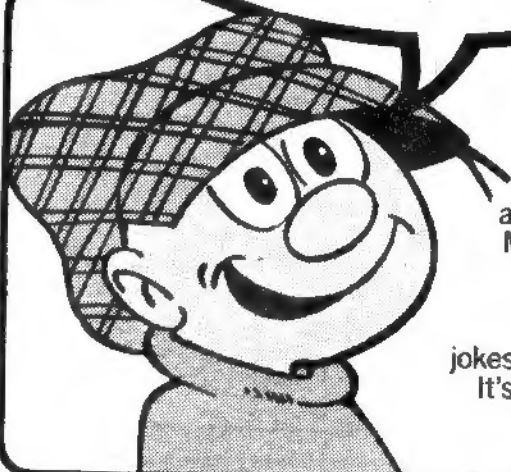


Is this to be a fatal fall for Barry? Don't miss the next episode!

BONEHEAD



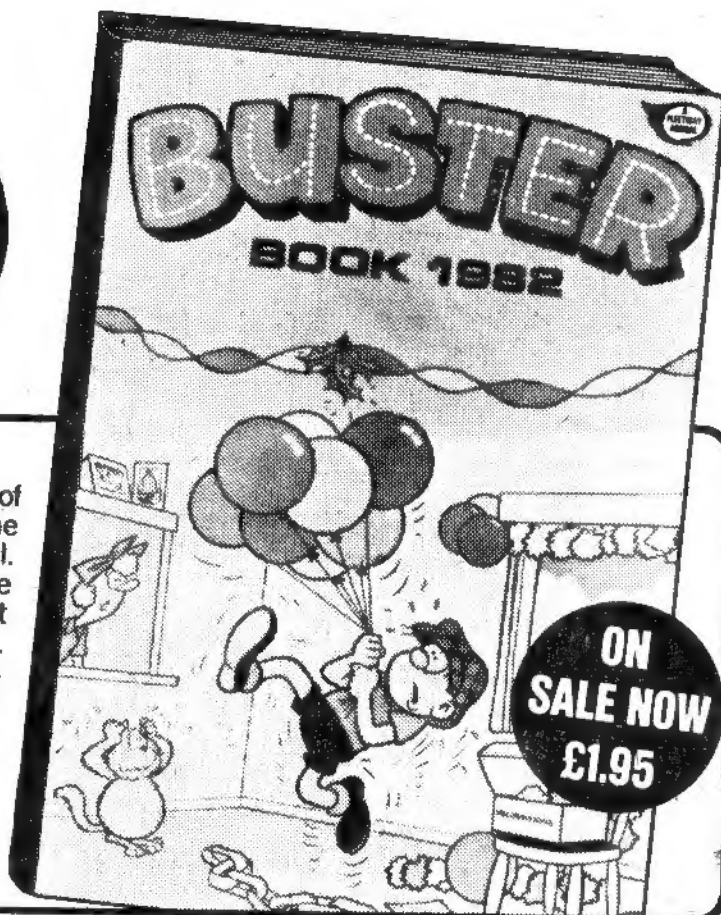
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